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MDOC Community Corrections Division and Central Office Employees Receive Employee Recognition & Service Awards

Jackson – Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) announced the monthly award recipients and service award recipients for December 2002 today. In the Community Corrections Division, the following employees received recognition awards:

<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Award</u>
Correctional Officer IV	Isola	Correctional Officer of the Month
Field Officer III	Gulfport	Field Officer of the Month
Commander	Pascagoula	Security Employee of the Month
Correctional Services Aide I	Houlka	Extra Effort Award
Field Officer III	Biloxi	Extra Effort Award
Community Corrections Director, Region II	Madison	Extra Effort Award
Correctional Supervisor	Long Beach	Extra Effort Award
Correctional Supervisor	Vancleave	Extra Effort Award
Correctional Officer I	Yazoo City	Extra Effort Award
Community Corrections Director, Region III	Long Beach	Extra Effort Award
	Correctional Officer IV Field Officer III Commander Correctional Services Aide I Field Officer III Community Corrections Director, Region II Correctional Supervisor Correctional Supervisor Correctional Officer I	Correctional Officer IV Field Officer III Commander Correctional Services Aide I Field Officer III Community Corrections Director, Region II Correctional Supervisor Correctional Supervisor Correctional Officer I Yazoo City

Community Corrections Employees that received service awards are:

<u>Name</u>	Job Title	Hometown	Years of Service
M.L. Henley	Field Officer III	Laurel	5
Bonnie Land	Correctional Services Aide II	Batesville	5
David Melton	Field Officer III	Florence	5
Anthony Rainey	Correctional Officer III	Ocean Springs	5
Donnie Rutledge	Field Officer III	Brandon	5
Brian Sotile	Case Manager	Beaumont	5
Valerie Temple	Program Coordinator	Meridian	5

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Community Corrections Service Award Recipients (cont.)

<u>Name</u>	Job Title	Hometown	Years of Service
Barbara Thompson	Sergeant	Seminary	5
Janell Walton	Correctional Officer III	Port Gibson	5
Angela Wiley	Correctional Officer III	Lucedale	5
Michael Adams	Field Officer III	Cleveland	10
Jenna Boyles	Case Manager	Brookhaven	10
Jeffery Davis	Field Officer II	Cleveland	10
Joaquin Kurtz	Sergeant	Jackson	10
Robert Suggs	Sergeant	Crowder	10
William Power	Lieutenant	Tylertown	15
Louis Summer	Sergeant	Greenwood	15
Willie Sumner	Field Officer III	Nesbit	15
Rosalyn Wilkinson	Academic Teacher I	McComb	15
Mary Boler	Field Officer III	Philadelphia	20
Robert James	Sergeant	Hattiesburg	20
Walter McKinney	Commander	Greenwood	20
Willie Winters	Lieutenant	Greenwood	20

In addition, the award recipients from MDOC's Central Office include:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	Hometown	<u>Award</u>
Christy Gutherz	Compliance Officer	Raymond	Staff Employee of the Month

Central Office employees that received service awards are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	Hometown	Years of Service
Kathy Stierle	Administrative Assistant VI	Terry	5
Juanita Barbour	Personnel Officer III	Jackson	10
Jacqueline Brunson	Deputy Compact Administrator	Ridgeland	15
Charlie Randall	Compliance Officer	Woodville	20

Recipients received award certificates and lapel pins; the employee of the month recipients also received plaques, which are displayed at their work location. MDOC began the monthly awards program last year in an effort to recognize the outstanding employees and their dedication to the agency's mission of providing public safety.

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MEDIA NOTE: If you would like more information on the award recipients, contact Claire Papizan at (601) 359-5689 or send an e-mail to cpapizan@mdoc.state.ms.us